

### BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claims 1, 2, 5, 7 and 8 have been canceled.

Claims 11-18 have been added.

New Claims 11 and 12 are supported at page 14, last paragraph, to page 15, first paragraph.

New Claims 13-18 are supported at page 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph.

No new matter is believed to have been added by entry of this amendment. Entry and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

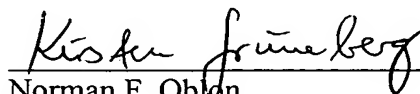
Upon entry of this amendment Claims 3, 4, 6, and 9-18 will now be active in this application.

Claims 3, 4, 6, 9 and 10 were non-elected claims in the parent application Serial No. 10/382,853.

Applicants submit that the present application is now in condition for examination on the merits and early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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